

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Pursuant to telephone interviews with Examiner Nashed on February 6 and 8, 2006, Applicants request entry of the amendment to the specification and claims as described herein.

Claims 1-4, 20, 21 and 22 have been cancelled without prejudice.

Paragraphs [0008] and [0107] have been amended to include reference to the SEQ ID NO's. of the cDNA and polypeptide described therein.

The amendment to claim 12 is supported in ¶[0157] of the specification.

The hybridization conditions in amended claim 13 are described in ¶[0124] of the specification.

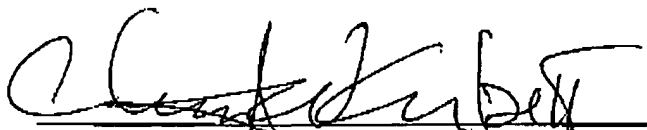
Claim 17 describes using the host cell of claim 16 to synthesize a protein or peptide glycosylated with a GalNAc β 1, 4GlcNAc structure.

Entry of the amendment is hereby requested.

Conclusion

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are now in a condition for allowance and requests issuance of a Notice of Allowance thereof.

Respectfully submitted,



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